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Hon. Richard A. Birch

Judgeship

2011 - present

Judge of the District Court, 11th Judicial District

Arthur, Chase, Dawson, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Hayes, Hitchcock, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Perkins, Red Willow, & Thomas counties

Prior Judicial Experience

Administrative Hearing Officer

Lincoln County, NE, 2000 - 2011, employment hearings

Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 2000 - 2011

Nebraska Department of Education,

1991 - 2011, enrollment option

1982 - 2011, special education

1989 - 1991, food and nutrition

Experience

1983 - 2011

Nielsen & Birch Law Offices, partner

North Platte, NE

1982 - 2011

Nebraska Department of Education, Administrative Hearing Officer

North Platte, NE

1979 - 1982

Crosby & Nielsen, Associate
North Platte, NE

1976 - 1978

Lancaster County District Court, Law Clerk
Lincoln, NE

1975

Nebraska Unicameral, Research Assistant
Lincoln, NE

Education

University of Nebraska College of Law, 1978
Juris Doctorate With Distinction

Nebraska Wesleyan University, 1975
Bachelor of Arts - Political Science, major, Humanities, minor

Judicial/Law Related Activities

Professional Affiliations

United States District Court for the District of Nebraska
Nebraska State Bar Association

Honors and Awards

Order of the Coiff
Associate Editor, University of Nebraska Law Review Executive Board
Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Art and Science of Advocacy, International Academy of Trial Lawyers, 1977 - 1978

Teaching & Publishing

Adjunct Professor, Mid-Plains Community College, 1983 - 2005
Adjunct Professor, Chadron State College, 1996 - 2004
Adjunct Professor, University of Nebraska-Kearney, 1983 - 1995
